

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application Number : 10/642,272 Confirmation No.: 3248
Applicant : Fumiyuki HATTORI, *et al.*
Filed : August 18, 2003
Title : THERAPEUTIC METHODS AND AGENTS FOR DISEASES
ASSOCIATED WITH DECREASED EXPRESSION OF AOP-1
GENE OR AOP-1
TC/Art Unit : 1632
Examiner: : Marcia S. Noble
Docket No. : 58777.000012
Customer No. : 21967

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION, PETITION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME, AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114**

Sir:

The following remarks are submitted pursuant to, and concurrently with, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, and are responsive to the Final Office Action mailed May 17, 2007 ("Office Action"), in the above-identified application.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicants respectfully petition for a three-month extension of time within which to submit a response, thereby extending the period within which to file a response up to and including Monday, November 19, 2007 (November 17, 2007, being a Saturday). Accordingly, this submission is responsive within the paid-for extensions of time. Applicants authorize the Commissioner to charge **Deposit Account No. 50-0206** in the amount of \$1,860.00 to cover the three-month extension of time (\$1,050.00) and RCE (\$810.00) fees.

Applicants provide this amendment in the following format:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2; and

Remarks begin on page 7.